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Acknowledgment And Greeting.

We desire to return thanks to the public whose kindly interest has followed us in our work, and whose generous patronage has amounted to the sale of nearly half a million trees, during the twenty-two years we have been associated with the Nursery business.

It has been our aim to steadily improve the quality of our stock, as well as the methods of handling the same.

He who plants an orange grove plants for generations, and in choosing stock will do well in selecting the best possible varieties.

GROWING TREES. We give our personal attention to every detail of the business, from planting the trees to budding and training the stock, also digging and shipping the trees, much care being taken in preserving the roots. Our Nurseries are located on high oak hammock land which contains a great amount of vegetable matter, and this is one reason why our trees have good fibrous roots, and they have invariably succeeded whether planted on pine or hammock land, as our many customers testify.

SHIPPING INSTRUCTIONS. In ordering trees please be as explicit as possible as to what is wanted. State whether you desire shipment made by freight or express, and designate route. In the absence of such instructions we will use our judgment. We assume no responsibility for the negligence of transportation companies, but should any delay or loss occur, and the same be promptly reported to us, we will use every reasonable effort to trace it up.

Write name and address plainly.

STOCK. This, in our opinion, should be the sour stock budded with the best sweet varieties.

1st. The sour stock roots stronger, and makes more fibrous roots.

- 2nd. It is not liable to the terrible disease called "foot rot."
- 3rd. In our experience of twenty-two years we find them of stronger, healthier growth.

Said one of our best known and most successful orange growers (Mr. E. H. Hart): "After the progressive orange grower has become satiated with the pastime of extracting sweet stumps in a state of decay, caused by the ravages of foot rot or the aggressions of ants, he is glad to fill the vacancies with stock of the sour orange."

REMARKS. We allow no buds to be inserted that are not positively known to be true to name.

All our buds are cut from bearing trees.

We bud all our trees low, so the bud may be easily banked or protected from cold.

EARLY PLANTING. Do not delay planting trees till late Spring. The earlier they are planted after they reach the dormant state, the better, as the roots grow all Winter, which insures a quick and good growth the following Spring and Summer, if set early and well cared for.

TERMS. Our terms are Cash With Order if for immediate delivery, or if for future delivery, 25 percent with order and balance prior to shipment of trees.

We cannot deviate from this rule except where parties are well known to us.

REMITTANCES may be made by Drafts, Checks, Money Order or Registered Letter.

PRICES will be found on page 8 of Catalogue.

Should you desire anything in the Nursery line that is not described in our Catalogue just write us and we would be pleased to give you prices on application.

Descriptive List of Varieties.

Early Varieties.

✓ BOONE'S EARLY. The report in the Pomologist for 1892 speaks very highly of this variety. It says: Roundish to roundish oblate, with very smooth skin, oil cells small, color rather light orange; peel medium to thin, tough. Tissue, thin, tough; seeds, few, angular, of medium size. Flesh, rich orange color tinged with red; tender, very juicy, very early and of most excellent quality. Promising as a market variety; ripens in September; vigorous and prolific.

✓ NONPARIEL. This orange has now been before the public for eighteen years. It took 1st prize at the Florida State Fair in 1878 for the best peck and best ten oranges. Of fine quality and ripens from the middle to the last of October.

✓ PARSON BROWN. (Carney). This is a fine early orange and nice to eat in October before it is colored. Has smooth thin skin, slightly oblong and a good shipper. Tree is vigorous and prolific; orange heavy and juicy and hangs on tree till March, sound and solid.

Mid-Season Varieties.

HOMOSASSA. This orange was first brought into prominence at the State Fair in 1877 from Homosassa. Fruit, thin skinned, very heavy and juicy and of medium size. Ripens November 1st. Heavy bearer, good grower.

✓ JAFFA. The finest orange of the Maltese family. Was imported by Gen. Sanford from the Eastern Mediterranean. The fruit is medium in size, tough skin, bright color; tree grows very large, has pretty dark green foliage, very prolific and thornless.

✓ PINEAPPLE. In its home in Florida this fruit when fully ripe is very rich with the flavor and scent of the pineapple (from whence its name). Tree is a very strong grower and very prolific.

✓ MAGNUM BONUM. This orange has been in public notice since 1877 when it took the Bidwell Prize of \$50.00 for the best peck, over forty other varieties. Size medium to large, nearly round, fruit heavy and juicy, fine grained. Tree of seedling origin and somewhat thorny.

✓ PIERCE'S RUBY. (Syn. Ruby Blood, Duroi Blood). This orange was one of a collection of varieties imported by Mr. R. W. Pierce who named it Ruby. Fruit medium sized and well flavored. Skin thin and few seeds, nearly thornless, very prolific and ripens some earlier than the Homosassa and Jaffa.

Indian River Varieties.

(Mid-Season).

✓ MADAM VINOUS. This variety was declared to be superior in flavor to the Riverside Navel at the South Florida Exhibition in 1887 and ranked second to it only because it had a few seeds and little more pulp. Orange of medium size, thin skinned, heavy and juicy and of good quality and good bearer.

✓ MADAM SWEET. This variety is very smooth and of fine quality and appearance. Medium size, very fine.

Late Varieties.

✓ HART'S LATE. This orange was introduced to Florida growers by Mr. E. H. Hart. The fruit is round, of medium size, very heavy and juicy, and retains its flavor late in August. Suitable for shipment by April. Has a smooth, thin and tough skin, and the flesh is of a fine flavor and texture. Tree is an exceptionally fine grower. As evidenced by the freeze of '94-'95 it appears to be the hardiest of our budded varieties.

✓ VALENCIA LATE. We have no hesitancy in recommending this orange, as the most prominent California growers claim it to be their best late orange.

Mandarin

(or Kid-Glove Varieties).

✓ TANGERINE. (Dancy's). The Tangerine is the best mid-season variety of the Mandarin family. Orange is much flattened, with a thin aromatic skin of a deep red color, has a rich spicy flavor. The fruit is showy, makes a fine appearance in

the market and always commands a good price. Tree is a good grower and very prolific.

KING. The King is the latest of the Mandarin family to ripen. This variety was imported from China by Dr. Magee, of Riverside, Cal., and from California to Florida by J. C. Stovin, of Winter-Park, Fla., who obtained buds and trees from the original importation of Dr. Magee. The tree is a good grower. Fruit ripens in Spring; is very juicy and good flavor.

Kin Kan, or Kumquat.

This is a native of Japan. Fruit is oblong in shape, and about the size of a hickory nut. This fruit is becoming very popular; makes nice preserves. The whole fruit is eaten, rind and all. Has a sweet rind and an agreeably acid pulp that makes a combination relished by most palates. It grows in bush form from ten to twelve feet high. The fruit sold in '95 for \$10.00 and \$12.00 per box.

Pomelos.

(or Grape Fruit).

TRIUMPH. This variety was brought to our attention by Mr. J. H. Fessenden, of Tampa, Fla., in 1887. Fruit is medium in size. Peel smooth, clear and thin, and fine grained. Less rag than in most grape fruit and very few seeds; very heavy, juicy and well flavored. Tree bears young and is very prolific.

MARSH'S SEEDLESS. This variety has become very popular on account of its being almost seedless. We have never fruited it but good authorities claim it to be of good quality.

COMMON. The fruit of this variety is large with smooth glossy skin of a light greenish yellow, making a fine appearance. It is a good market variety. Tree is a strong grower and very prolific. In fact we consider this, the "Old Fashioned", variety equal to any of them when it comes to flavor etc.

Lemons.

SANFORD'S THORNLESS SICILY. This variety was imported by Gen. Sanford over twenty years ago. After several years of cultivation California growers discovered its true merits. A prominent Riverside, Cal., chemist pronounced it to be super-

rior to any variety he had yet seen. It is a fine grower, nearly thornless, and bears young. Skin, thin and smooth; solid.

VILLA FRANCA. This lemon has been before the Florida orange growers for several years and has been considered a leading variety for several years.

Price List.

ORANGES	Diameter of Stock 1 to 1½ inch.		Diameter of Stock 1 to 1½ inch.	
	Buds 2 to 3 feet		Buds 3 to 4 feet	
	Per 10	Per 100.	Per 10	Per 100.
Boone's Early....	\$4 00	\$35 00	\$4 50	\$40 00
Nonpariel.....	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
Parson Brown....	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
Pierce's Ruby....	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
Homosassa.....	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
Jaffa.....	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
Pineapple.....	4 00	35 00	4 50	40 00
Hart's Late.....	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
Valnecia Late....	3 00	25 00	3 50	30 00
Magnum Bonum..	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
MANDARINS.				
Dancy Tangerine	3 00	25 00	3 50	30 00
King.....	6 00	50 00	6 50	55 00
POMELO.				
Triumph.....	2 50	25 00	3 00	30 00
Marsh's Seedless.	6 00	50 00	6 50	55 00
Common.....	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
LEMONS.				
Sanford's Sicily..	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
Villa Franca....	2 50	22 50	3 00	25 00
KUMQUATS....	6 00	50 00		

